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In 1984 Apple computer introduced the world to a new way of working with the computer with a now famous commercial.

The commercial aired showing thousands of people dressed in gray clothing in a drab, industrial environment are taking instruction from a man on a TV screen.

An athletic woman with a sledge hammer is chased by military police into a main viewing room where she throws the hammer into the screen effectively destroying it.

Apple could not have come closer to telling the future. The images are not the same but the message is clear--Microsoft has taken over!

Microsoft controls all components of technology. It will soon control access to the internet and eventually will hold information about all users with their new ".net" initiative.

One company with so much control over how I work, what I view and how I use and store collateral material is beyond comprehension.

Please, stop the monopoly. Break Microsoft up, force them to divest, possibly even make their file standards open source.

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